

Discussion Questions  
December 14, 2025 | Luke 2:8-14  
Welcome Joy

UPWARDS – Growing in Our Relationship with God

1. How would you define joy? How does it differ from happiness?
2. Why do you think the message of joy was given to shepherds? What does this divine choice reveal about God's joy and who it is meant for?
3. The angel says this good news is meant "for all people" (v.10). How does the universality of this message of joy influence your understanding of Christ's birth?

INWARDS – Growing in Fellowship with One Another

4. In verse 11 the angel declares "a saviour" has been born in Bethlehem. How is that a source of joy for God's people? What does it mean to you that Jesus was born to be your saviour?
5. In verse 11 the angel declares "Messiah" has been born in Bethlehem. How is that a cause for joy for believers? What does it mean to you that Jesus is the Messiah?
6. In verse 11 the angel declares "the Lord" has been born in Bethlehem. How is that a cause for joy for believers? What does it mean to you that Jesus is the "the Lord".

OUTWARDS – Reaching Those Around Us

7. The angel shared a message of good news that brought great joy to all people. How could you share this good news with others?
8. When was the last time you experienced joy that felt divinely inspired, beyond ordinary happiness. What contributed to that moment and how did it affect you and your relationships with others?
9. Is there some temporal hardship stealing your joy? How can you personally embrace this message of "great joy" in your daily life?